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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: WT Docket 11-65

To Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

As a state legislator representing a rural area of northeast Kansas, I understand the importance of staying in touch with neighbors, our nearby towns and all that is occurring around our state, nation and globe. The world seems much smaller when you can access the vast information on the worldwide web with a high-speed internet connection. It is even more convenient when that connection can be carried with you in mobile wireless form.

Rural areas stand to receive the benefits of wireless broadband in the proposal by AT&T to acquire T-Mobile USA. If the merger is approved, AT&T commits to deploying 4G wireless service to more than 97 percent of the nation's population. Much of that deployment will include rural Kansas and rural America, where there is great need for broadband internet connectivity to benefit agriculture, business, education and health care.

Rural Kansans make a crucial contribution to the economic success of our nation. Access to 4G wireless will provide an important tool to help us remain successful. I ask you to support this merger and hasten the arrival of these services to rural and urban areas alike.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerry Henry".

Jerry Henry
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